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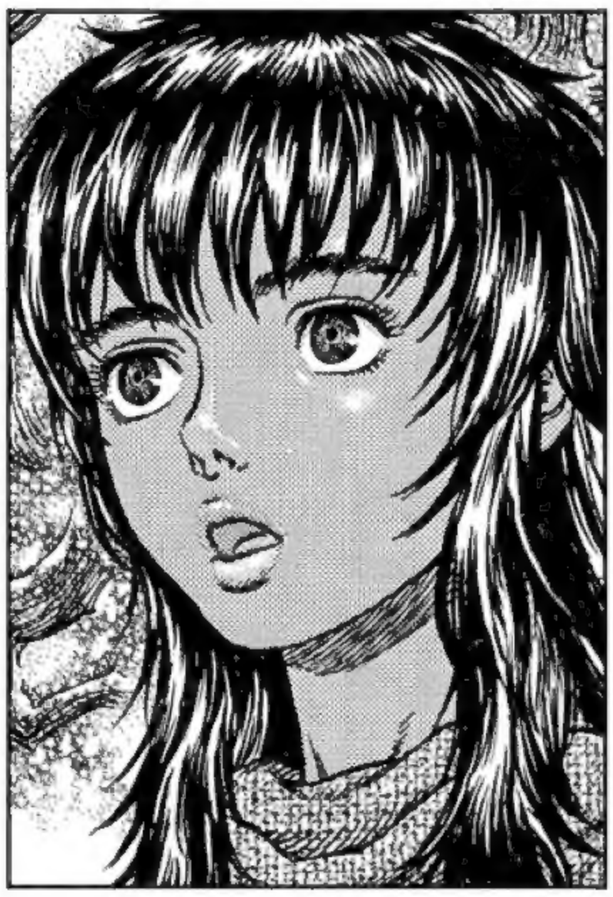
ガッツ *Guts*

The main character of the story, the Black Swordsman. He exists in the interstice, wears the Berserker armor, and his soul is constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.

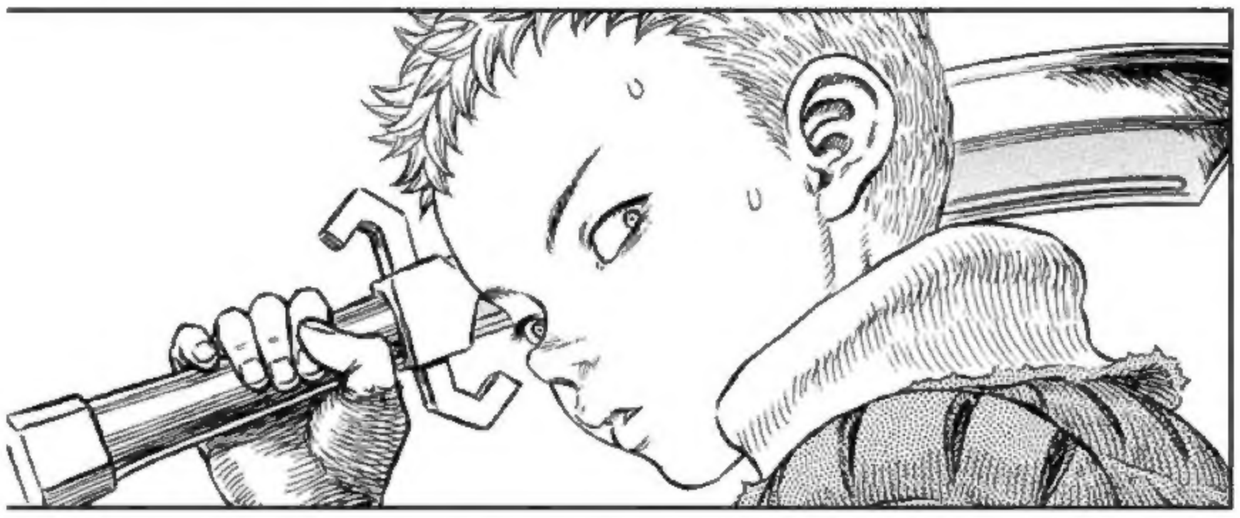


キャスカ *Casca*

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk; mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.

パック *Puck*

An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. He confirmed that he's a wind spirit, and he also changes into Chestnut Puck.

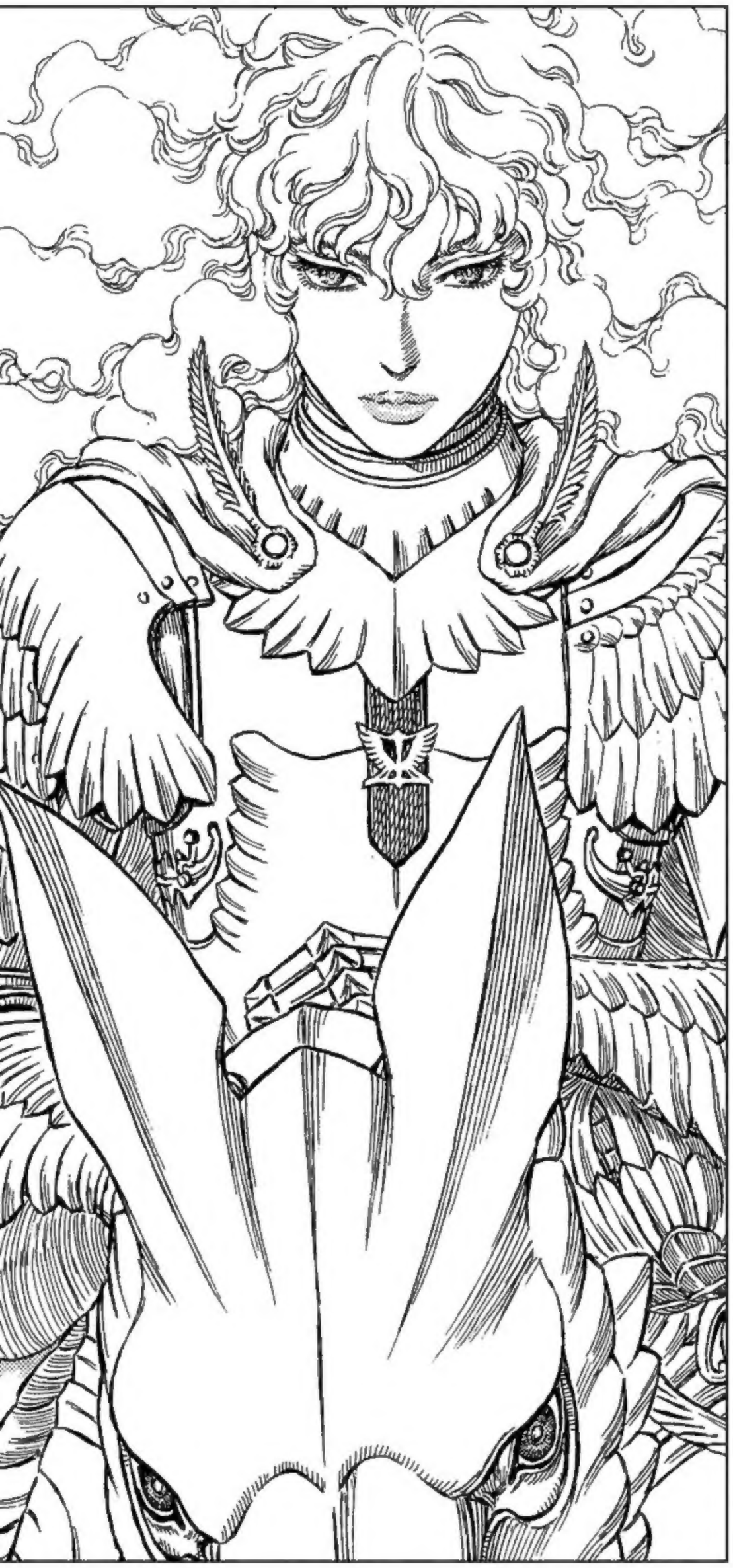


イシドロ *Isidro*

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.

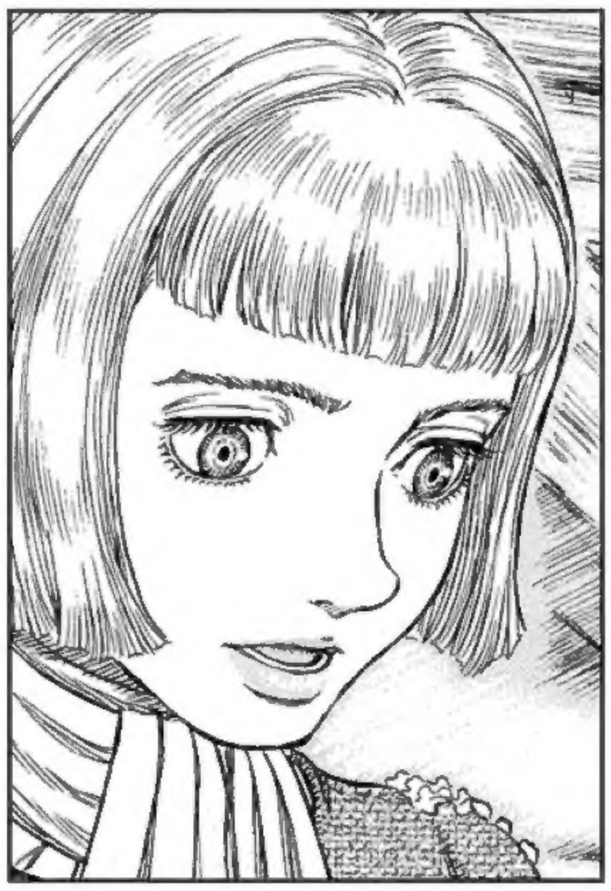
シールケ *Schierke*

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree Mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies. She has a stilted side to her personality.



グリフィス *Griffith*

Through the eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal. He leads the reborn Band of the Hawk.

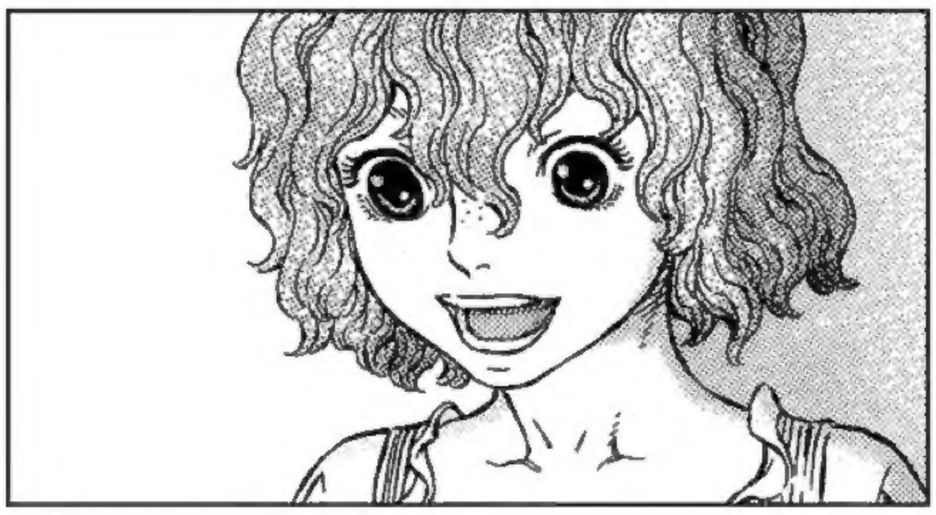


ファルネーゼ *Farnese*

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights, and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival, and about the reality of the world.

セルピコ *Serpico*

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother. However, Farnese is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting, and currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



イスマ *Isma*

A girl fisherman who lives on the island of the sea god. Treated like an outcast by the village there, she yearns for the outside world and displays a keen interest in stories told by Isidro and Schierke.

ロデリック *Roderick*

Captain of the naval vessel *Seahorse* and third in line to the royal throne of Iith, a maritime power within the domain of the Holy See. He is a friend of Farnese's brother and has become her fiancé. He is currently taking Guts and the others to Skellig Island, where the Elfhelm is located.

Guts and crew were forced to dock at an island where legends of a sea god and merrows persist, but it was a monstrous place where the inhabitants had been transformed into tentacles by the sea god. The god was overwhelmingly powerful, having even turned a pirate ship into a tentacle, and Guts had no choice but to once again don the Berserker armor.

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FULL MOON, PART 1

*DOOOOM

ゴ" ゴ" ゴ" ゴ" ゴ".

HEH!

THE SHOCK WEARS OFF EVENTU-ALLY.

MON-STERS REALLY DO...

...EXIST!

WOW!! WOULD YA LOOK AT THAT!!

YOU WERE RIGHT, ISIDRO!

I WONDER IF THE VILLAGERS ARE OKAY...

YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT THEM?

AREN'T THEY A BUNCH OF CREEPS?

WELL, YEAH, THEY ARE.

BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'VE EVER WANTED THEM DEAD...

OH.

ISMA THE MERROW GIRL.

IT'S *ISMA.*

ISMA THE OUTCAST.

NO!! DON'T GO NEAR THOSE...!!

WE'VE HAD OUR SHARE OF SCUFFLES ...!

HEY, ARE YOU GUYS OKAY ?!

THEY'RE BRATS FROM THE VILLAGE.

*JUMP

*ZHHHM

JOIN US.

COME.

WE'LL MAKE YOU ONE OF US...

*EEEEK

*SHOP

*LEAP

*VSSHT

*FWFF

*HYNN

*HYNN

IT'S BECAUSE TONIGHT'S A FULL MOON.

LOOK AT THOSE THINGS *COOK!* ARE THEY EDIBLE AFTER ALL?

*BROARRR

WH-WHAT *ARE* THOSE ...?!

*SHLFF

*SHLFF

I FEAR THE VILLAGERS ARE ALL...

ASIDE FROM OUR COMPANIONS.

...I PERCEIVE NO HUMAN PRESENCES IN THAT VILLAGE.

UNFORTUNATELY ...

THEY'RE WHAT LITTLE IS LEFT OF ANYONE CONSUMED BY THOSE BEASTS...

THAT IS NO DOUBT WHAT'S SHIELDED YOU FROM EVIL ALL THIS TIME.

I CANNOT EXPLAIN IT IN DETAIL, BUT I *DID* SENSE A STRONG POWER COMING FROM THE AMULETS SURROUNDING YOUR HOME.

.....

OPPOSITE SIDE OR NOT, SHE'S STILL ON THE SAME ISLAND.

WELL, THEN WHY WAS *ISMA* THE ONLY ONE SPARED?

THE POWER OF THE *AMULETS.*

I DIDN'T LIKE THEM...

IN FACT, I HATED THEM. THERE'VE BEEN TIMES WHEN I WISHED THEY ***WERE*** ALL GONE...

THIS IS SO...

YEAH...

BUT, STILL.

I TRULY ...

...AM ALL ALONE NOW.

BUT NOW WHAT?

ISMA, YOU WAIT HERE. I'M GONNA GO HELP MY GUYS REAL QUICK.

I'M COMING, TOO ...!!

IT'S TOO DANGEROUS FOR REGULAR FOLKS!

...

...

...

...YOU'RE BETTER OFF NOT WATCHIN' THE PEOPLE YOU KNEW GETTIN' HACKED UP.

.....

EVEN IF THEY *HAVE* TURNED INTO MONSTERS...

ISIDRO...

...

...

...

*WHAP

*WHAP

*PBBT

GEE, THANKS!

*PBBT

I WAS BEING NIHILISTIC, AND YOU RUINED IT?!

AT THIS POINT, YOU'D ONLY GET IN THE WAY DOWN THERE.

YOU SHOULD THINK TWICE.

APPROACHING WITHOUT CAUTION WOULD BE DANGEROUS.

GUTS HAS GONE BERSERK, AND HE'S FIGHTING THOSE MONSTROUS BEASTS BY HIMSELF RIGHT NOW.

...AND WAS DRAWN INTO THE ARMOR WITH HIM.

GUTS WAS ABLE TO MAINTAIN HIS AWARENESS THAT TIME BECAUSE I HAPPENED TO BE ON HIS BACK...

YOU MEAN WHEN HE FLIPS OUT?

?

BUT DIDN'T HE FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET A HANDLE ON THAT AT THE VRITANNIS HARBOR BATTLE?

AND NO GRAFFITI.

PLEASE GUARD MY BODY FOR THE TIME BEING.

YEAH, YEAH. FINE.

SAY WHAT, NOW?

OUTTA-BODY EXPERIENCE.

YOU'RE GONNA DO THAT AGAIN?

USING MY LUMINOUS BODY...

I WILL POSSESS HIM...

WHAT DO WE DO?

WELL ...

.....

...AND TRY TO CALL OUT TO HIS CONSCIOUSNESS.

*CHASHHH

AUGH ! ....

SCHIERKE ?!

*WHUMP

WHAT'S WRONG ?!

IT'S EMITTING TOO STRONG AN OD...!!

THE ARMOR IS EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN BEFORE.

...TO GUTS.

I CAN'T GET THROUGH...

THAT'S *NASTY* ...

GUTS ...

HE'S FIGHTING EVEN MORE FIERCELY THAN LAST TIME. HE REALLY *IS* LIKE A BEAST!

GAAA

*SHLACH

*GROLLL

LADY FAR--!!

CASCA?!

*TMK

*DOOOOSH

LADY FARNESE!! CASCA!!

UH OH...!

*ZHLFF

*CLACK

*CLACK

*VWASS

*SWTT

*PLIP

!

CASCA ...!!

*JSSSSH

DID A VILLAGER SURVIVE ?!

A CHILD ?!

CASCA!!

"SHONK"

*DOOOOSH

GU--

...

...

...

*FX. GULP

DON'T APPROACH HIM!!

DOES THAT MEAN HE'S IN HIS RIGHT MIND...?

...DID HE PRO-TECT CASCA ...?

GUTS ...

MIS-TRESS!

*FWOOSH

W-WILD! HE SLICED UP THAT MONSTER IN NO TIME *FLAT!*

HEYA! STILL ALIVE, HUH?

ガッ

CLATA

THAT GUY JUST FLEW...!

HEY, YOU OKAY?!

SER-PICO.

DON'T GO NEAR HIM. HE HAS NOT YET RETURNED.

WHAT DO WE DO?!

NOW WHAT ?!

FRORLLL

VIO-LENCE.

PEACE.

SLAY.

PRO-TECT.

KILL.

NO.

...RENDER...

"CHINK

"CHINK

FEAR.

MAD-NESS.

SAN-ITY.

ENE-MY.

NO.

"CHINK

SUR...

YIELD YOURSELF.

LOOK.

FOCUS YOUR GAZE HERE.

LOOK.

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FULL MOON, PART 2

...THAT'S RIGHT.

YOU MUSTN'T LOSE IT.

YOU...

...KNOW THIS.

...DES-TROY IT.

YOU MUSTN'T ...

*ROHHHHR

DEATH

*CHFF

*FX: BACHING BACHING

*FX: CLACK CLACK

*KRRRRN

*CHING

*SHNK

WH-WHAT'S HAPPENIN' TO HIM?!

GUTS ...?!

*KRNCH

NOW'S MY CHANCE...

*FX: GRRRR

*FX: CLENCH

ギュ

HE'S RESISTING THE ARMOR'S OD...!

WHAT'S SHE THINKING ?!

MIS-TRESS !!

SCHI-ERKE!

?!

*DASH

*GRAB

*REAR

*RAHHRR

*PITCH

*KRONK

*CHFF

MIS-TRESS ...!!

YOU IDIOT!

*THUD

THAT WAS TOO DANGEROUS !!

YOU MIGHT'VE GOTTEN CUT IN HALF! HIS REFLEXES ARE WAY BEYOND YOURS!

NICE CHOKE SLEEPER HOLD.

STUPID SCHIERKE!

OWWW...

YOU OF ALL PEOPLE HAVE NO RIGHT TO TALK, GUTS.

*WHAP

NEVER DO ANYTHING THAT *CRAZY* AGAIN.

I'LL SECOND THAT.

I OWE YOU ONE.

YOU SAVED...

...ME, THOUGH.

YOU OWE HER A LOT MORE THAN JUST ONE!

GO ON, SAY YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF HER THE REST OF--

WELL...

IT WAS THE ONLY THING FOR ME TO DO, AS A MAGIC USER.

I DON'T SEE THAT PIRATE SHIP AROUND. IT SURE MAKES A QUICK GETAWAY, FOR A "SLUG."

THE MONSTER SITUATION LOOKS MOSTLY RESOLVED.

I'M NOT SURE WHAT HAPPENED, BUT IT WAS COOL! YOU'RE SO BRAVE, SCHIERKE!

...

IT'S HARD TO TELL *WHICH* SIDE'S MORE MON-STROUS.

HE'S MORE POWERFUL BY HIMSELF THAN AN ENTIRE WARSHIP.

AND I'M AGAIN AMAZED AT HOW SUPER-HUMAN HE IS.

YOU LOST EVERY SINGLE CHANCE TO LOOK GOOD.

GOOD QUES-TION...

STILL, WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE CASCA WENT RUNNING OFF LIKE THAT?

?

!

?

AU

...YOU.

YES...

WE MET HIM ON OUR JOURNEY, BEFORE WE REACHED VRITANNIS...

YOU KNOW HIM?

WH- WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE?!

SAY WHA?! WE SAW HIM THAT TIME AT THE SHORE ...!!

NUDITY'S BEST FOR YOUR HEALTH!

*NUDE

...BUT WHY'S HE NAKED ?

HE SURE IS PRETTY.

IS THIS A COINCI- DENCE...?

...ALTHOUGH I CAN HARDLY SENSE THE MYSTERIOUS OD AND HOSTILITY FROM THAT TIME...

AND HOW COULD I FAIL TO NOTICE HE WAS HERE UNTIL JUST NOW...?

NIGHTS WITH FULL MOONS HAVE VERY DEEP MAGICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND ARE FULL OF MAGICAL POWER. HE'S APPEARED NOW DURING TWO OF THEM...

THERE WAS A FULL MOON THE **LAST** TIME HE APPEARED, TOO.

.....

*CLUTCH

...DO THAT ?

?

DID YOU...

I MADE FRIENDS WITH ISIDRO AND SCHIERKE A LITTLE WHILE AGO.

I-I'M ISMA.

I LIVE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND...

I CAN TELL YOU *I'VE* NEVER SEEN HIM...

*CLATA

ARE YOU FROM THIS ISLAND, THEN?

WHO IS THIS GIRL?

UM...

HERE, PUT THIS ON.

*YANK

THE SEA BREEZE'LL CHILL YOU TO THE CORE.

...ON DUH WHOLE ISLUN.

NIZE DA MEET YUUU.

HM?

*EGHH

...BUT AS IT TURNS OUT...

...I'M THE...

...LAST PER-SONNN...

HM?

*EGHH

CAN SHE COME ONBOARD YOUR SHIP?

HEY, CAPTAIN.

*WIPE

HM?

!

HUH?! IT'S *MY* FAULT?

DAMN IT, SERP!

WHY'D JA MAKE HER SAY THAT?!

.....

GEE, THANKS!

A GENEROUS CAPTAIN'S A GOOD CAPTAIN!

*FWUP

WELL, I DON'T MIND. YOUR GUEST IS MY GUEST, AT THIS POINT.

GOOD NEWS, HUH, ISMA!

IT'S COOL, RIGHT?!

SHE'S JUST ONE MORE PERSON! OR, WHAT?! YOU'RE GONNA LEAVE A *KID* HERE ALONE IN THIS MONSTER NEST?! IS THAT HOW HEARTLESS THE IITH NAVY IS?! YOU THE SAME AS THOSE PIRATES?!

*WHAP

WE CAN FIGURE OUT LATER WHATEVER'S NEXT.

YOU BETTER COME WITH US NOW.

A- ANYWAY...

YOU DON'T WANT TO?

WHAT?

?

HUH?! NO, NO! IT'S NOT THAT! I'M JUST SURPRISED!

...THE ISLAND?

LEAVE...

AWE-SOME! IT'S AN ADVEN-TURE!

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO RIDE ON A BIG SHIP LIKE THAT!

THERE'S STILL SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO.

ALRIGHT, WE'LL JUST FINISH TEMPORARY REPAIRS AND GET THE HELL AWAY FROM THIS PLACE.

R-RIGHT. AHH, BACK TO THE SWAYING BED. GUESS IT'S BETTER THAN SLEEPING FOREVER HERE.

NOT QUITE SO FAST.

...THAT'S TRUE.

WE'LL BE HELPLESS IF THEY ATTACK US AT SEA, AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO WAIT FOR THE MORNING SUN.

THERE'S NO GUARANTEE YOU KILLED THEM ALL HERE!

WHAT'RE YOU SAYING?! IF WE DON'T HURRY, MORE MONSTERS WILL COME...!!

TRUE ENOUGH.

WE'LL SETTLE THINGS...

...HERE AT THE ISLAND.

THAT'S THE ONE!

THAT CAVE?!

!

YES, WE DO! I KNOW WHERE IT IS!

BUT HOW?! WE DON'T KNOW WHERE THEIR NEST IS...

I HAVE A PLAN TO DEAL WITH THAT.

HMMM ...

B-BUT IF WE STAY HERE, THE SHIP WILL STILL BE ATTACKED EVENTUALLY...!

...

?

...WE ALSO NEED TO PREPARE BEFORE YOU MARCH OFF INTO ENEMY TERRITORY, GUTS.

COULD WE ALL GO BACK TO THE SHIP FOR NOW?

...SPELL-CASTER.

YOU GOT IT...

*STARE
ジィー…

WELL, I *BEG* YOUR PARDON.

TRY AND FIND OUT. IT'S FULL OF SMELLY GUYS NOW, ANYWAY.

I WONDER HOW MANY FISH YOU CAN LOAD INTO A SHIP THAT HUGE.

YOU HAVE TO GET USED TO IT, EVENTU-ALLY.

SLEEPING IN A STABLE BED SURE WAS A BRIEF DREAM. NOW WE'LL SPEND THE NIGHT IN FEAR OF A MONSTER ATTACK.

…

*FWIT

DIDN'T IT GET SMASHED LIKE AN EGG?

SORRY, BETCHI. DIDJA MISS ME?

*JSSSHHHH

*FX: SHFF

*FX: SHFFF

THIS IS THE BEST SPOT, BECAUSE IT'S SO CLOSE TO THE CENTER OF THE SHIP.

UM... WHY MUST IT BE OUT HERE?

WHAT'RE THEY GOING TO DO?

WHAT'S UP?

I WILL CAST THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR ?!

THEY'RE GONNA CAST A SPELL TO PROTECT THE SHIP.

WHAT'RE THEY GOING TO DO?

NOT QUITE ...

NO...

DOES THAT MEAN WE'LL GET TO SEE SCHIERKE'S MAGIC?!

LADY FARNESE...

HOW CAN A *VANDIMION* BE SOME KIND OF *WITCH...?!*

AGAIN?!

CALM DOWN.

I'VE NEVER CAST A SINGLE --!!

BUT IT'S SO SUDDEN...!! I CANNOT, MISTRESS !!

I NOW MUST ...

...BECOME LUMINOUS AND GO WITH GUTS TO MEET THE ENEMY.

IF THE ENEMY COMES AND ATTACKS DURING THAT TIME, YOU, AS A MAGE, MUST BE THIS SHIP'S KEY DEFENSE.

MAGE...?

ME...?

KEY DEFENSE ...?

.....

FOCUS, AND HAVE FAITH IN YOUR TRAINING. I WILL, OF COURSE, GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE RITUAL.

YOU'LL HAVE NO TROUBLE NOW THAT YOU'VE HARNESSED YOUR LUMINOUS BODY.

YOU'LL BE OKAY. THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR IS POWERFUL, BUT IT'S ONE OF THE MOST BASIC SPELLS. IT'S AN IDEAL CHOICE FOR YOUR FIRST TIME.

I HOPE IT WORKS WELL.

ALRIGHT.

ONCE THE SPELL IS FULLY IN EFFECT, THE CASTER NEED ONLY MAINTAIN HER SUBCONSCIOUS BEARINGS.

I GUESS WE DON'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE.

HEY! THIS AIN'T SOME SHOW!!

THIS AIN'T A FREE SHOW. PAY UP.

WE ALL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL NOT TO DISTRACT HER.

EVEN WITH THOSE CARDS UP, WON'T THE DIRECTIONS CHANGE IF THE SHIP MOVES?

CAN I WATCH? I'LL KEEP QUIET.

OKAY ...

...IVA-LERA.

YOU GOT II-IT. ♡

...WE SYN-CHRONIZE OUR RHY-THMS.

NOW, AS ALWAYS ...

I AM...

...A MAGE.

I AM...

...THE KEY DEFENSE.

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BEASTMAN

...WHOSE SPIRIT RISES OVER THE MOUNTAINS AS A ZEPHYR...

OH BLESSED KING OF THE EAST...

IT'S BIG...

...AND WHOSE GOLDEN RAIMENT GLEAMS LIKE THE SUN.

OH BLESSED KING OF THE WEST...

...WHOSE NAME TREMBLES EVEN THE WATER SPIRITS WHO CAPER BENEATH THE WAVES.

...SUCH AN ENORMOUS POWER.

I'VE NEVER BEFORE FELT...

OH BLESSED KING OF THE SOUTH...

...BRILLIANCE GREATER THAN EVERLASTING FLAME IS THY MAJESTY.

SUCH AN ENORMOUS EMOTION.

SUCH AN ENORMOUS EXISTENCE.

OH BLESSED KING OF THE NORTH...

I FEEL.

...IT IS FOR THY RULE THAT ALL...

...LIVING BEINGS OF THE EARTH REJOICE.

...HOW SMALL A THING I AM.

ATEGH.

VEH.

GEDULAH.

...THE THING IS OF WHICH I'M A PART.

VEH.

GEPLAH.

I FEEL...

...HOW ENORMOUS...

MARKTO.

WH-WHAT'S THAT...?!

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING?!

WH-WHAT THE ...?!

WHAT'S ...?!

LOOKS LIKE SHE PULLED IT OFF.

LOOK AT THAT WILD STUFF!!

*HHHH

フゥウゥ.

...WOW...

WAS THE SPELL SUCCESS-FUL?

THE RITUAL ...!

!

LOOK AROUND.

WELL DONE.

NICE ONE.

MIS-TRESS ...

I'VE NEVER SEEN ITS LIKE...

IS IT AN AURORA ?

WHAT'S THIS LIGHT ?

WOW...

...DID THIS?

I...

SER-PICO...

...CONGRAT-ULATIONS, LADY FARNESE.

WELL, SO WHAT? IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN EXPECT WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO SWING SWORDS AROUND!

W--

HOO-WAHHH...

YOUR PARTY RANK KEEPS GETTING LOWER AND LOWER...

IT'S DOZENS OF TIMES BRIGHTER THAN A FISHING LIGHT!

I'VE SAILED ALL OVER THE WORLD, AND I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A THING!

NOW *THAT'S* SOME-THING!

UH...

UM...

WE MIGHT MAKE MONEY WITH THIS AT CEREMONIES...

Y-YOU MEAN *YOU* DID THIS?

THAT'S PRETTY GOOD, FOR YOUR FIRST TRY. BUT DON'T LET IT GO TO YOUR HEAD.

NOW YOU CAN TRULY COUNT YOURSELF AMONG THE RANKS OF THE MAGI.

THAT WAS SPLENDID.

.....

...

IT'S YOUR WATCH.

YOU'RE OUR SHIELD.

.....

...I WON'T LET YOU DOWN!

...OKAY. I SWEAR ...

...HOWEVER, ITS POWER IS HALVED AGAINST THOSE OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD...

NOW AS LONG AS FARNESE STAYS WITHIN THE FORMATION OF HER SPELL, AND THIS LIGHT REMAINS WITHIN HER SUBCONSCIOUS, NO EVIL BEING OF THE ASTRAL WORLD WILL BE ABLE TO TOUCH THIS SHIP.

WE'LL HANDLE THE HAND-TO-HAND.

WE'RE DOOMED.

THAT'S WHEN IT'LL BE *OUR* TURN TO SHINE!

NOW THAT THE BASE IS SECURE...

...WE MIGHT AS WELL GET A MOVE ON.

YEAH, I KNOW!

A GOOD SOLDIER KNOWS WHAT HE'S CAPABLE OF AND COMPLETES THE JOB SET BEFORE HIM.

MIND YOU DON'T WIND UP A TENTACLE

MAN, I SURE DREW THE SHORT STICK-- GUARDING WOMEN AND CHILDREN!

I WANNA FIGHT WITH THAT SEA-GOD THING, TOO!

YES, YOU CAN COUNT ON US.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF CASCA, THAT BOY, AND *MY BODY.*

ALRIGHT, THEN.

DRAW ANYTHING ON HER, AND YOU TWO'LL BE SLEEPIN' WITH THE FISHES.

I FEAR THE INTERIOR OF THE ISLAND IS TOTALLY UNDER THE SEA GOD'S CONTROL, AND THE SPIRITS' POWERS WOULD HARDLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

IF POSSIBLE, I'D LIKE TO OPPOSE THIS FOE WITH MAGIC, BUT THE OD BLOWING OUT OF THAT CAVE IS POWERFUL.

...YOURSELF AT RISK ONCE AGAIN.

...YOU MUST PUT...

I'M AFRAID ...

N-NO PROBLEM! HE'S TOUGH ENOUGH TO HANDLE GETTING ROASTED OR TOSSED AROUND A LITTLE!

...I'M SORRY TO ASK THIS OF YOU.

HM?

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

MISS *GOOD LUCK* CHARM.

YEAH, SEE?

I'M COUNTING ON *YOUR* HELP TOO,

SO...

COULD YOU SQUAT DOWN?

UM...

OH, RIGHT. SORRY.

*FX: FIDGET

I-I REALIZE THAT.

I WILL NOT LET YOU GO BERSERK SO LONG AS I POSSESS YOU! WE WILL RETURN ALIVE AND WELL, YOU'LL SEE!

REST ASSURED!

PLEASE BEGIN.

I'M ALL TOO AWARE...

...IT WON'T LESSEN THE BURDEN ON HIS BODY.

EVEN IF GUTS MANAGES TO RETAIN HIS CONSCIOUS-NESS...

*BATHUMP

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*FWOOSH

...BUT YOU CAN **SUMMON** IT AT THE DROP OF A FRIGGIN' HAT.

...DAMN. IT'S SUCH A PAIN TO RESTRAIN THIS THING...

*FX: ZHM ZHM ZHM

...SNAPPING AT BAIT.

IT'S LIKE A STARVING BEAST...

*VWASH

IS THIS MORE MAGIC?!

WH-WHAT IS IT *THIS* TIME?!

*FALL

OKAY, CATCH!

SCHIERKE?!

*DROP

WH-WHAT HAPPENED?

HER SPIRIT CAME OUT.

HOW RUDE! CALL IT "POSSESSION"!

SHE'S HAUNTIN' GUTS.

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*RRRRR

THE FLOW OF OD IS MORE INTENSE THAN BEFORE...

IT'S GROWN IN POWER ...!!

BUT...

...I WILL RESTRAIN IT!!

ビ…

*SHNNN

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*SHNK

...GUTS, DO YOU RECOGNIZE WHO WE ARE...?

.....

DON'T GO NEAR, IT'S DANGEROUS!

SO *THAT'S* HOW YOU PUT ON AND TAKE OFF ARMOR. IT'S LIKE IT'S ALIVE OR SOMETHING.

HERE WE GO. DON'T GET PEELED OFF.

NO NEED TO WORRY!

DON'T WORRY.

AT LEAST, STRAIGHT ENOUGH TO KNOW WHO NOT TO BITE.

I'M THINKING STRAIGHT.

*LEAP

*TMP

*TMP

*TMP

*TMP

WE'D BETTER PREPARE FOR BATTLE, TOO.

I GUESS HE'S A TRANSFORMIN' SUPERHERO?

WELL, IT'S ALL THANKS TO SCHIERKE'S MAGIC.

KNIGHTS? THEY DON'T EVEN MAKE *HUMANS* LIKE HIM.

TH-THAT AIN'T HUMAN ...!

HE'S LIKE A FLYING FISH! ARE ALL KNIGHTS LIKE HIM?!

*SHAAAA

WHAT'S UP, ISMA?

?

...

*SHAAAAA

*GOLP

VOICES ?

...THOSE VOICES AGAIN...

I HEAR...

ONE THING'S FOR SURE...

*BLEED

*CHFF

*OHHHN

THIS IT?

IT'S AWAKE NOW.

THIS ISN'T LIKE IT WAS DURING THE DAY.

LOOKS LIKE THIS IS ON A DIFFERENT LEVEL THAN THOSE SEA HARES.

...THE SEA GOD.

*GOFFF

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BERSERK

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SEA GOD, PART 1

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IT'S CONVENIENT, WHAT THIS DOES FOR MY NIGHT VISION.

...OF WHEN WE ENTERED THAT QLIPHOTH PLACE.

STILL, THIS INTIMIDATING FEELING REMINDS ME...

IT *DOES* LOOK LIKE WE'RE DESCENDING INTO THE DEPTHS OF HELL.

YEAH,

IF THIS WERE MERELY QLIPHOTH, I COULD BORROW THE POWER OF THE SPIRITS OF DARKNESS WHO DWELL THERE.

IN *THIS* DOMAIN, THOUGH, THE POWERS OF MOST SPIRITS ARE BLOCKED BY THE SEA GOD'S POWERFUL SPIRITUAL PRESSURE...

*HOHHHN
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GUTS!

*CHFFF

OR MAYBE ...

IT COULD BE FROM AN ANCIENT CULTURE ...

IT'S PROBABLY A SEAL...

A STONE STATUE ?

...WE'RE GOING TO KNOCK ON HELL'S FRONT DOOR.

IN ANY CASE, BEYOND THIS...

*GCHAK

ZZZ
ZZZ
ZZZ
ZHMMM
ZZZ
ZZZ
HERE THEY COME.
...THE SEA GOD'S SHRINE.
THIS IS...

ZHHHMMM

*SHAAAA

YE BE MOST WELCOME HERE IN ME ABODE!

COME INTO MY HOUSE!

TO FINALLY ARRIVE HERE! WELL DONE, BRAVE SIR!

YOU'VE OVER-COME MANY TRIALS AND TRIBULA-TIONS!

SOME-TIMES YOU JUST CAN'T GET BY IF YOU CAN'T LAUGH AT YOURSELF.

I KIND OF FEEL SORRY FOR HIM, NOW.

I'M GETTING RATHER TIRED OF THAT BONY CAPTAIN.

GREAT, *YOU* AGAIN.

OF ALL RODERICK'S GANG, ***YOU,*** BLACK SWORDSMAN. THERE TRULY BE ONLY ONE WORD FOR YOUR FIGHTING STYLE-- ***MARVELOUS!*** IT'S ***INHUMAN!***

...FEAST YOUR EYES! WE'LL NEVER RUN OUT OF SOLDIERS! THERE'S NO WAY FOR YOU TO RESIST!

BUT TOO BAD FOR YOU. NO MATTER WHAT SUPER-HUMAN FEATS YOU'RE CAPABLE OF ALONE...

THEN KNOW THAT...

...ARE NAUGHT BUT A SINGLE PART OF YOU-KNOW-WHO.

AND EVEN ALL THESE BRETHREN ...

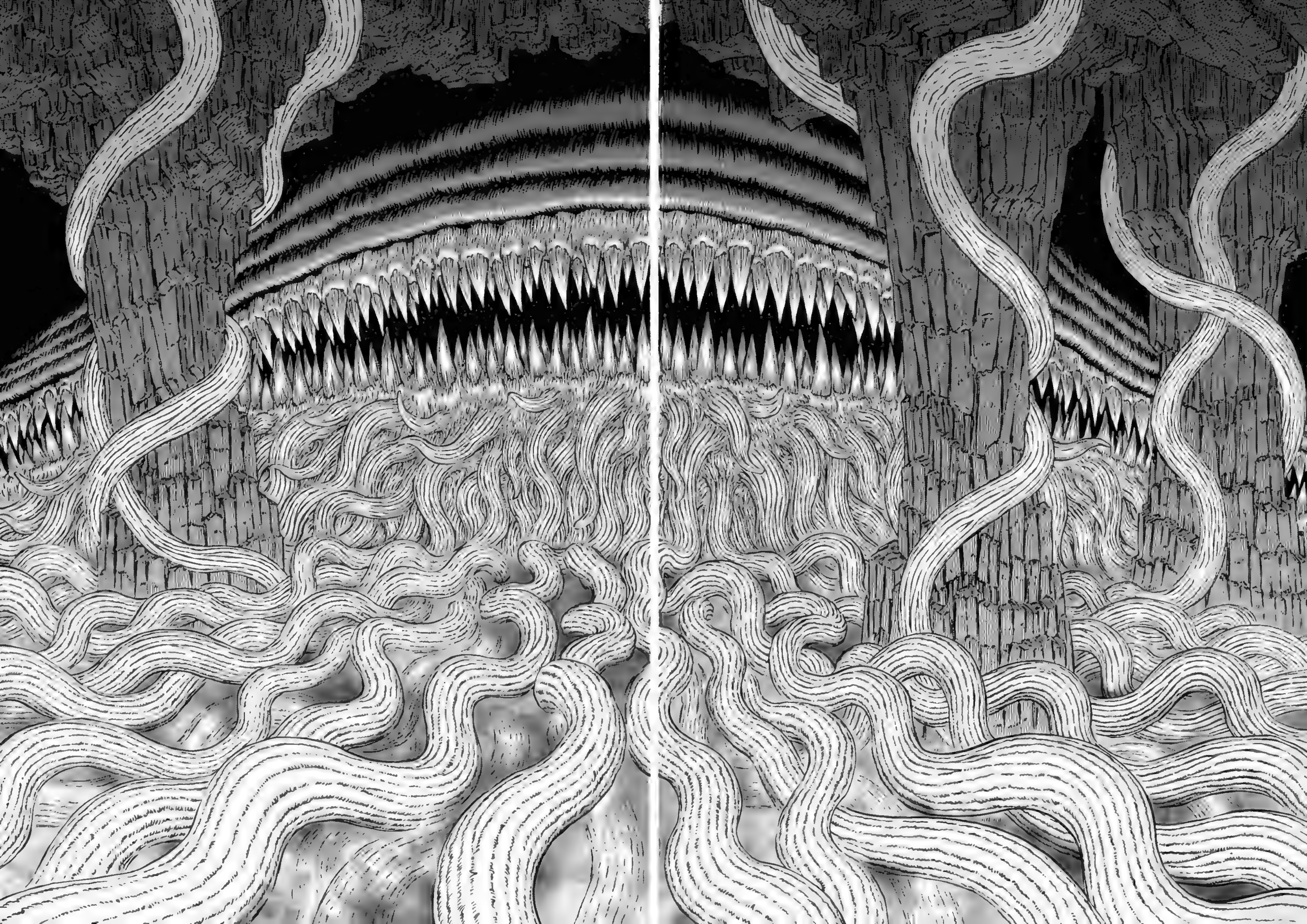
STRAIN THOSE EYES!

NOW!

FOLLOW THE FAINT LIGHT EMITTED BY ME BRETHREN ...

...AND PEER INTO THE DEPTHS OF THIS DARKNESS!

...WHAT YOU GAZE UPON BE PURE DESPAIR!



*BOHHHHH

WHAT YOU WERE FIGHTING SO DESPERATELY WERE NOTHING MORE THAN HIS WHISKERS, BORED UP THROUGH THE ISLAND.

MORE'S THE PITY.

TOO BAD, EH?

*RATTLE

*RATTLE

*RATTLE

...!

...THAT HIS BELOVED WHISKERS WERE LOPPED OFF.

AND NATURALLY, THE SEA GOD TOOK IT RIGHT PERSONALLY...

*WHOM

WHAT SPIRITUAL PRES-SURE...!

I NEVER EXPECTED THIS MUCH...!

HOW DO YOU FIGHT SOMETHING SO GIGANTIC...?!

*RMMMBLE

*GROHHHHL

YOU'RE ABOUT TO BE EATEN, SHELL AND ALL!

YO HO HO!

YOU'RE LIKE A SHRIMP ABOUT TO BE FED TO AN OCTOPUS!

CHOW DOWN, BRETHREN !!

NOW!

*RMMMBLE

YOU CAN'T FIGHT THIS MANY AT ONCE! LET'S FALL BACK INTO THE NARROWER PART OF THE CAVE SO YOU CAN TAKE THEM ON ONE AT A--

BESIDES, I CAN'T WHITTLE AWAY ALL MY STRENGTH HERE AT THE FRONT DOOR.

...NO, BOTTLENECKS MAKE IT TOO HARD FOR ME TO MANEUVER.

BUT--

AND ONE WAY ONLY.

WE'RE HEADED ONE WAY...

...WE'RE GOING TO STRAIGHT UP FIGHT *ALL* THESE THINGS.

THERE'S NO WAY...

SQUID-DING KILL HIM!

CHAK

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WE'RE LEAPING RIGHT INTO THAT BIG MOUTH!!

...ITS MOUTH ?!

LEAP INTO...

*SHOM

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TMP

SHMP

ARE YOU HANGING US OUT TO DRY?!

MEANIE

THE SCURVY DOG'S JUMPIN' AROUND A...

TH--

...GOW!

*SPRING

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SEA GOD, PART 2

*FX: HOP

*FX: WHAM

SHUNK

SHAA

WHAM

DON'T GET PULLED OFF!

EEEEEEK!

THERE BE *HUNDREDS* OF YOU... CAN'T *ONE* OF YOU MANAGE TO CATCH HIM?!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! HE'S NOT A BEANBAG!

SHF

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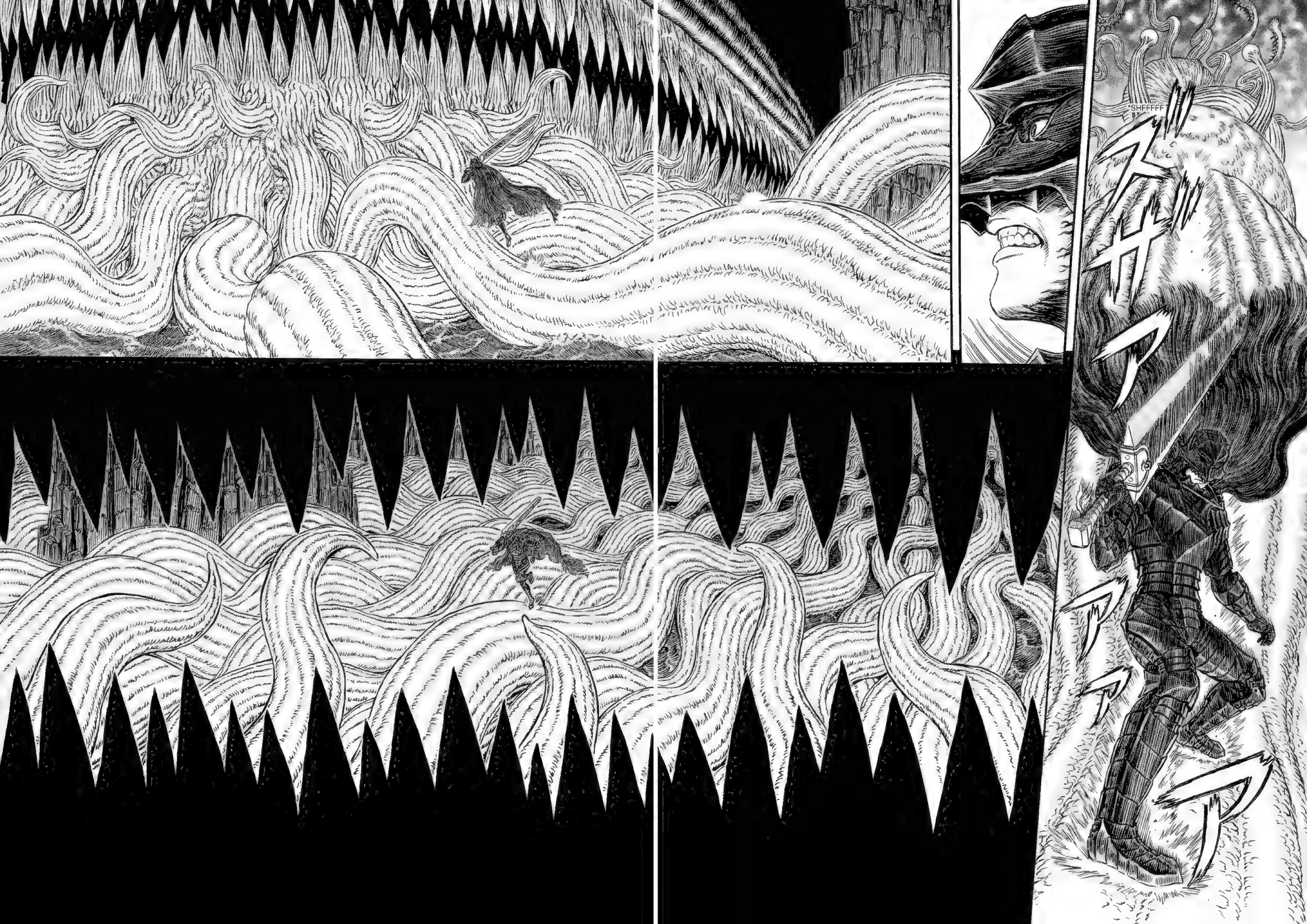
SHF

I'M TRYING TO JUMP RIGHT INTO THAT FREAKISHLY HUGE MAW!

OUTTA THE WAY!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WHA ...

HE'S GODDAMN INSANE.

THAT'S LIKE A LITTLE FISH JUMPING INTO A WHALE'S MOUTH!

DAHAHAH! WHAT AN IDIOT! HE LET HIMSELF GET EATEN!

HE'LL BE *SHIT* BY TOMOR-ROW MORN!

WHAT GOOD DOES HE THINK *THAT'S* GONNA DO?!

ARRR! THAT TAKES CARE OF THE MOST BOTHER-SOME OF THE BUNCH!

NOW WE BE FREE TO FEAST AWAY ON THAT DAMNED ANNOYING STALLION AND HIS COHORTS, BRETHREN!

*GUFHHH

*WHOOM

IT'S THE CLIMAX OF THE FESTIVAL!! LET'S BE ON OUR WAY!!

DJSHHHH

THAT WAS CRAZY!

LOOKS LIKE WE MADE IT IN.

*SHAAAAA

*P..P..

IT EVEN GLOWS A LITTLE INSIDE THIS DAMN THING.

I GUESS THERE ARE SQUIDS LIKE THAT.

*SHOMP

*GLOOOOSH

THEY MUST HAVE BEEN DRAGGED IN BY THOSE TENTACLES.

IT'S LIKE SOME LEGENDARY SHIP GRAVE-YARD.

IT'S SO REPUL-SIVE...

THE SEA GOD TAKES IN ITS VICTIMS AND MAKE THEM PART OF ITSELF...

IS THE SEAHORSE *BOMBARDING* IT?!

A CANNON ...?!

NO.

*BAKONNNG

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!

SO WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO NOW?

LOOK HOW HUGE ITS STOMACH IS. INFLICTING A SMALL WOUND IN HERE WOULD ONLY FEEL LIKE BEING STUCK BY A LITTLE FISH BONE...

DON'T YOU HEAR IT?

IT'S THE SOUND OF THE SEA GOD'S HEART.

*BAKONNNG

THAT'S A PULSE.

WELL...

...ACTUALLY I SUPPOSE IT IS.

THAT'S... A PULSE?

EVEN A LITTLE BONE MEANS TROUBLE IF IT STICKS YOU IN THE HEART.

DOESN'T MATTER HOW BIG ITS BODY IS. WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, THIS THING'S NOTHING MORE THAN AN *OCTOPUS.*

*BAKONNNG

IF I FOLLOW THE FLOW OF OD THROUGH ITS BODY...

LEAVE IT TO ME.

BUT WITH THIS SOUND ECHOING ALL OVER THE PLACE, I'M NOT SURE WHERE ITS HEART IS...

CAN YOU TELL, SCHIERKE ?

ABOVE AND TO THE RIGHT IS WHERE ITS BLOOD FLOW GATHERS.

!

THERE.

NOW ...

BUT BOTH WAYS WOULD TAKE TOO LONG...

WE COULD SCALE THE STOMACH WALL OR CUT THROUGH IT AND PUSH THROUGH THE ENTRAILS...

THOSE TENTACLES OUT THERE AREN'T ABOUT TO IGNORE THE *SEA-HORSE.*

WE'D BETTER HURRY.

STOMACH ACID.

*JSSSSH

GUTS ...!

*FX: DOOOSH

*BLORP

WE'LL LET IT CARRY US TO THE TOP.

!

WE NEED TO HURRY AND GET OUT OF HERE!

THERE'S SO MUCH OF IT...!

*FX: SSSSSSS

THIS WORKS OUT WELL.

HUH ?

NAH, ALL I HAVE TO DO IS GET TO THE TOP WITHOUT DISSOLVING.

YOU'RE BEING RECKLESS AGAIN...! EEK!

!

GUTS!

*FX: DOOOOSH

I DON'T KNOW. PROBABLY PARASITES THAT LIVE INSIDE THE SEA GOD OR SOMETHING...

WHAT'RE THOSE ?

THEY MUST BE CLIMBING TO ESCAPE THE STOMACH ACID.

KLACK

KLACK

SPRING

AND *YOU* GOTTA GUARD SCHIERKE WELL.

YES.

*OOOOOSH

IT'S THE PIRATE SHIP...

MULTIPLE VESSELS TO STAR-BOARD!!

AND A SWARM OF *MONSTERS* !!

*OOOOOSH

YES, WE CAN!

I MUST REMAIN HERE TO MAKE SURE THE FORMATION OF THE FOUR HOLDS.

GUARD HER WELL, SERP.

LADY FARNESE, IT IS DANGEROUS HERE. YOU SHOULD GO DOWN INTO THE HOLD...

YOW! THERE WERE *THAT* MANY SWARMING RIGHT UNDER MY FEET?!

WE STAND PREPARED TO MEET THEM

THERE'S A FLEET'S WORTH OF THEM! WE SHOULD FALL BACK FOR NOW...!

NO NEED TO BE SCARED! WE CAN TAKE 'EM!

CAPTAIN!

THERE'S A LOT OF THEM!!

MAKE EVERY SHOT COUNT!!

PREPARE TO FIRE ALL STARBOARD CANNONS!!

WE FIGHT BACK !!

OUR SEAHORSE HAS A GODDESS IN COMMAND OF ANGELS ON BOARD.

...NO.

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

FIRE!!

FRAP

SHAAA

SHAAA

VSSH

SHAAA

CHNK

FULL SPEED AHEAD, ME HEARTIES !!

PAY IT NO MIND!!

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SEA GOD, PART 3

*BWOOOOOSH

THEY CAN'T GET INSIDE THIS WALL OF LIGHT!

TH- THEY'VE STOPPED ...?!

LOOK!

*WOMMM

WELL, I'LL BE DAMNED! IT STOPPED *THAT* MANY MONSTERS...

N-NOT BAD, FARNY...!

YOU'RE THE *SEAHORSE'S* GUARDIAN ANGEL!

YOU *ARE* A GODDESS...

WELL, NATURALLY, AFTER ALL THAT TRAINING WITH SCHIERKE EVERY DAY.

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

ALRIGHT!

WITH THIS MANY OF THEM, WE COULD HIT THEM WITH OUR EYES CLOSED!

KEEP FIRING, AND AT WILL!!

*SHASSSH

GOT 'EM!

NICE!

THAT'S THE WAY!

BLOW ANY OF THEM THAT GET CLOSE TO PIECES!

*BOOM

*BOOM

*BOOM

THEY ROLLED RIGHT OVER THEIR OWN GUYS!!

WHOM.

YOU GOOD-FOR-NOTHING BUFFOONS!!

*JSSSSSH

THE PIRATE SHIP'S BOW GOT THROUGH THE LIGHT...! WHAT'S GOING ON?!

IT'S ONLY HALF AS EFFECTIVE AGAINST ANYTHING WITH PHYSICAL SUBSTANCE!

THIS FORMATION IS A SPELL TO DEFEND AGAINST THOSE NOT OF THIS WORLD...!

*WHRAM

YO HO
HO HO
HO...

NOW WE CAN FINALLY GET DOWN TO SOME SWASH-BUCKLIN'!

*HYNN

Lz,

AYE! WE'LL ALL BE TRUE BRETHREN OF THE--

?

*SOOMP

THEN AFTER WE SLICE YOU UP AND EAT OUR FILL...

...WE'LL LET BYGONES BE BYGONES ...

...AND IT'LL BE A TENTA-CLE'S LIFE FOR US!

NOW THEN, GENTS! TIME FOR YOU TO PAY BACK IN FULL THE DEBT YOU OWE!

BOSS MAN, MY BODY'S KIND OF NUMB. I DON'T FEEL ANYTHING BELOW THE WAIST...

ジンウウウ.

*SSSSSS

JUST PRETEND YOU WERE STUNG BY A STINGRAY OR SOMETHING.

...WANT TO BECOME ONE OF YOU NASTY-ASS TENTACLES?!

YOU WANNA BE SQUID ON A STICK?

WHO IN THEIR RIGHT MIND WOULD EVER...

AND YOU STINK LIKE SQUID!

*SPAKT

...MAKE THAT "SUCKER"!

WHAT TENTACLE'S LIFE, YA OCTOPUS?

WHEN DID YOU PUT THAT ON?

I'D NEARLY CONVINCED MYSELF I WAS A MARINER, TOO.

WE'VE ALSO GOT VINEGARED SQUID.

YOU BETCHA.

"FRUIT"...?

YOU AIN'T BRETHREN OF THE SEA OR NOTHIN' ANYMORE!

YOU'RE JUST...

...FRUIT OF THE SEA!

IT'S TIME FOR A THRASHING!

WHAT DO YOU DOGS KNOW ABOUT A TENTACLE'S FEELINGS?!

YOU SLIMY CREEP !!!

CAN IT !!

*ROHHHHH

*SHONK

*SHASSSH

TCH! THERE'S NO END TO 'EM!

WE'VE NOWHERE ELSE TO RUN...!

IT'S COLLAPS-ING...!

THE MAST... THESE THINGS'RE WEIGHIN' IT DOWN!

...STILL A BIT OUT OF REACH.

WHERE'S THE CEILING ...?

*KEEEERN

*KRAK

*KRAK

*SWAY

*LEAP

GUTS, YOU WOULDN'T ?!

HEY...!

*SWING

*SLASH

GUTS...!

*SHFF SHFFF

*DANGLE

THAT SHOULD DO IT.

*SLIP

*FWOP

*VWOOSH

WE'RE FALL--

*ZHFFF

*WHSSSS

*ROHHHN

*FX: BWOOOSH

WHETHER I COULD CUT THROUGH IT OR NOT WAS A GAMBLE,

BUT IT PAID OFF.

I DIDN'T KNOW HOW THICK THE STOMACH WALL WAS.

THE STOMACH ACID HAS PRESSURIZED ALL THE GAS IN THERE, AND IT WENT GUSHING OUT LIKE A BURP.

WHA...

WHAT HAPPENED ?!

LOOKS LIKE...

...WE'RE JUST GETTING STARTED, THOUGH.

!

NOT THAT YOU'RE LIKELY TO LISTEN, BUT YOU'RE GIVING ***ME*** AN ULCER, TOO.

PLEASE STOP BEING SO RECKLESS.

SORRY ABOUT THAT.

•KSSH

•KSSH

THEY ELIMINATE FOREIGN ENEMIES IN EXCHANGE FOR NOURISHMENT FROM THE SEA GOD... THEY COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER.

LOOKS LIKE THIS THING'S INSIDES ARE A DEN OF MONSTERS.

TIME TO FORCE OUR WAY THROUGH.

WELL, TOO BAD. WE MIGHT NOT BE PERMANENT RESIDENTS, BUT *OUR* DEN'S AT STAKE, TOO.

*ROHHHH

YO HO HO! THIS BE WHY TENTACLES RULE!

WE'LL TAKE THE HIGH ROAD, WHILE THEY'RE BUSY WITH YOU!

*RISE

OR ELSE EVERY LAST ONE OF YOU IS SHARK BAIT!!

FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT YOUR WAY THROUGH !!

*OOOOOO

DON'T LET THEM WIN!!

*CHING

*CLANG

*SHRRRRL

*FWAP

*WHOCK!

*VSSSH

YOU CAN USE MAGIC TOO, WIND CHARM GUY?!

OH, WOW!

"WIND CHARM GUY" ...?

*CHINNNG

HN.

HN.

HN.

HOOOO !!

HEAVE

I AM THE BLACK-MOUSTACHED KNIGHT!!

*SHRAK

OLD BUCKET-HEAD!

THAT'S INCREDIBLE, STOWAWAY!

*WRONNNG

REMEMBER THAT!!

FAR-NESE!

*ZHM

INCOM-ING!

*ZHM

*ZHM

*SHM

*SHM

*RAGGHHH

*HHHH

*HHHH

MY SNAKES SAVE THE DAY! ♡

*DART

JUST PRETEND YOU GOT STUCK BY A CONE SNAIL OR SOMETHING, AND MAKE UP FOR IT WITH SPIRIT!

IT'S HARD TO MOVE WHEN YOUR LOWER HALF'S NUMB...!

EASY FOR YOU TO SAY...!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING?! YOU USUALLY FIGHT HARDER THAN THIS!

*GACHINNNG

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TIME TO KNOCK YOU INTO THE SEA AGAIN !!

BOYYYY !!

*BAING

*CHINNNG

*INNNG

HNNNN...

I'M A GROWING BOY!

AND I'VE HAD PLENTY OF TRAINING!

*SPIN

YOU'VE SHARPENED YOUR SKILLS!

YOU...

*CRANNNG

ON A ROCKING BOAT, THANKS VERY MUCH!!

*WHACK

WHOA, CLOSE CALL!

*JUMP

TCH!

*VYNN

*SHA

BUT AS FOR STRENGTH ITSELF, YOU STILL DON'T--

AS YOU SAY...

*BWOOSH

*FWOOMP

IGH!

NOT EVEN GROWN MEN USED TO COMBAT CAN DO THAT VERY OFTEN!

TH-THE LITTLE BRAT! HE'S QUICK TO USE ANYTHING HE GETS HIS HANDS ON!

HE PISSES ME OFF SO MUCH!

WOH HOT HOT!

TCH!

WELL? YOU STILL SURE I CAN'T INTEREST YOU IN A NEW JOB?

NO WAY! YOU GUYS'RE FILTHY, STUPID, AND ABOVE ALL, YOU'RE ALREADY SEAFOOD!

YOU *ARE* CUT OUT FOR PIRATING, WITH YOUR TALENTS.

...BY THE POWERS, YOU'RE ONE FIEND OF A LAD.

THAT REALLY *IS* TOO BAD.

...ALRIGHT, THEN.

*TING

*KACHING

ONE OF 'EM IS NIPPIN' YOUNG SHRIMPS IN THE BUD.

BUT, OH WELL. ADULTS HAVE MANY DUTIES.

*THWOCK

*FX: VNN

*SHNK

I DID IT, ISIDRO!

I HIT HIM.

OH!

B-BOSS MAN!

I'D BE *DEAD* NOW IF I WASN'T A TENTACLE!

*PSSHT

URR RGH!

BUT THIS'S DANGER-OUS, SO STAND BACK!

*FWIP

NICE ONE, ISMA!

WE CAN'T KEEP THIS UP ANY LONGER!

THEY'RE FORCING US BACK!

YOU LILY-LIVERED LOT! YOU'RE PATHETIC!

YAR RGH!!

*ROHHHH

FIGHT THEM OFF!

THEY'RE RISKING THEIR LIVES?!

SHOW 'EM WHAT TENTACLES ARE MADE OF!!

TIME TO GO FOR BROKE!!

I DON'T WANNA FRY!

*JSSSSHHHH

I DON'T WANNA DIE!

NO! WAIT!

YEEE!

YAH!

TOU!

NICE PITCH!

I SAID STAND BACK!

ISMA!

I'M HANDY WITH A HAR-POON.

THIS'S DANGER-OUS!

...

*CLACK

*SHMP

*SHMP

*PLONK

OOCH

HM?

THOSE THINGS...

A BUNCH FELL ON THE DECK.

...

?

*SSS

*FX: TOSS

*KLONK

*SHMP

THEY'RE IMMENSE!! POTENT!! NO MEMBRANE CAN STAND UP TO THEM!! THEY'RE JUST ITCHING TO BURST AS WE SPE--

OUR TENTACLES ARE TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM THE REST!!

*BDOOOOOM

IT BURST ?!

AHH?! GET BACK HERE ...!

IF IT'S THAT IMPORTANT TO YOU, DO IT BY YOURSELF, BOSS MAN!

WE DON'T WANNA DIE TWICE!

WE'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS!

YOU DOGS ...!

WA--

HEY.

UH.

*KRAK

*KRAK

*SHAAAAA

*SHAAAAA

YO HO HO... UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN, GENTLEMEN!

*ROHHHHH

GO WRAP YOURSELVES AROUND SOME SPERM WHALE!

NEVER COME BACK!

A GHOST SHIP AND A MONSTER SWARM...

YEAH, SOME-HOW.

WE GOT THROUGH *THAT* SOME-HOW.

THIS FEELS LIKE SOME KIND OF LEGENDARY VOYAGE, NOW.

YOU'RE THE REASON WE'RE STILL ALIVE.

WE HAVE YOU TO THANK, FARNESE.

.....

YOU WERE COOL, TOO!

Y--

YEAH.

YOU GET USED TO IT.

YOU KICKED ASS, ISMA!

NAHHH. IT WAS NO BIG DEAL.

FARNESE!!

FARNESE, THE GODDESS OF VICTORY!!

THE SEA-HORSE'S GUARDIAN ANGEL!!

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KEEP DOWN THE NOISE! YOU'LL MESS UP SCHIERKE'S SPELL!

*FX: RAHHHH

11TH SAILORS NEED TO TREAT LADIES WITH DIGNITY AT ALL TIMES!

PRAISE IS WELL AND GOOD, BUT KEEP IT CIVIL!

IS... IS IT OVER?

*SHIVER

NOW...

...THE REST DEPENDS ON GUTS AND SCHIERKE.

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*BAKONNNG

ドゴオ

*BAKONNNG

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*BAKONNNG

GUTS...!

...NO, MY WHOLE DAMN *BODY* FEELS NUMB!

MY GUT...

THIS'S A LOT LOUDER THAN THE *SEAHORSE'S* CANNONS!

*BAKONNNG

...THE PULSE ALONE WOULD KILL ME WITH MADNESS!!

YOU CAN BET IF I STAYED HERE TOO LONG...

...BUT MY BODY'S HEAVY.

...GUTS ?

I KNOW.

WELL, HURRY BEFORE IT HAPPENS ...!

NO WONDER THE SOUND CARRIES SO WELL...

IT'S LIKE I'M UNDER WATER.

I CAN BREATHE ...

*FX: HEHH...

THE AIR'S HEAVY AND STAGNANT.

*KONNNG

*KONNNG

*KONNNG

*KONNNG

...!

*ZHHHM

WHAT THE--?!

THE PULSE SUDDENLY GREW MORE INTENSE...?!

AAAAU

"THNK

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UGH ...

CLIMBING UP THERE IS DANGEROUS, SON.

HEY!

WHAT'S WITH HIM?

WHAT'S WRONG, ISMA?!

...I DON'T KNOW.

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I'M SCARED...

I JUST FELT THIS TERRIBLE CHILL...

HM ...?

COME ON! GET DOWN.

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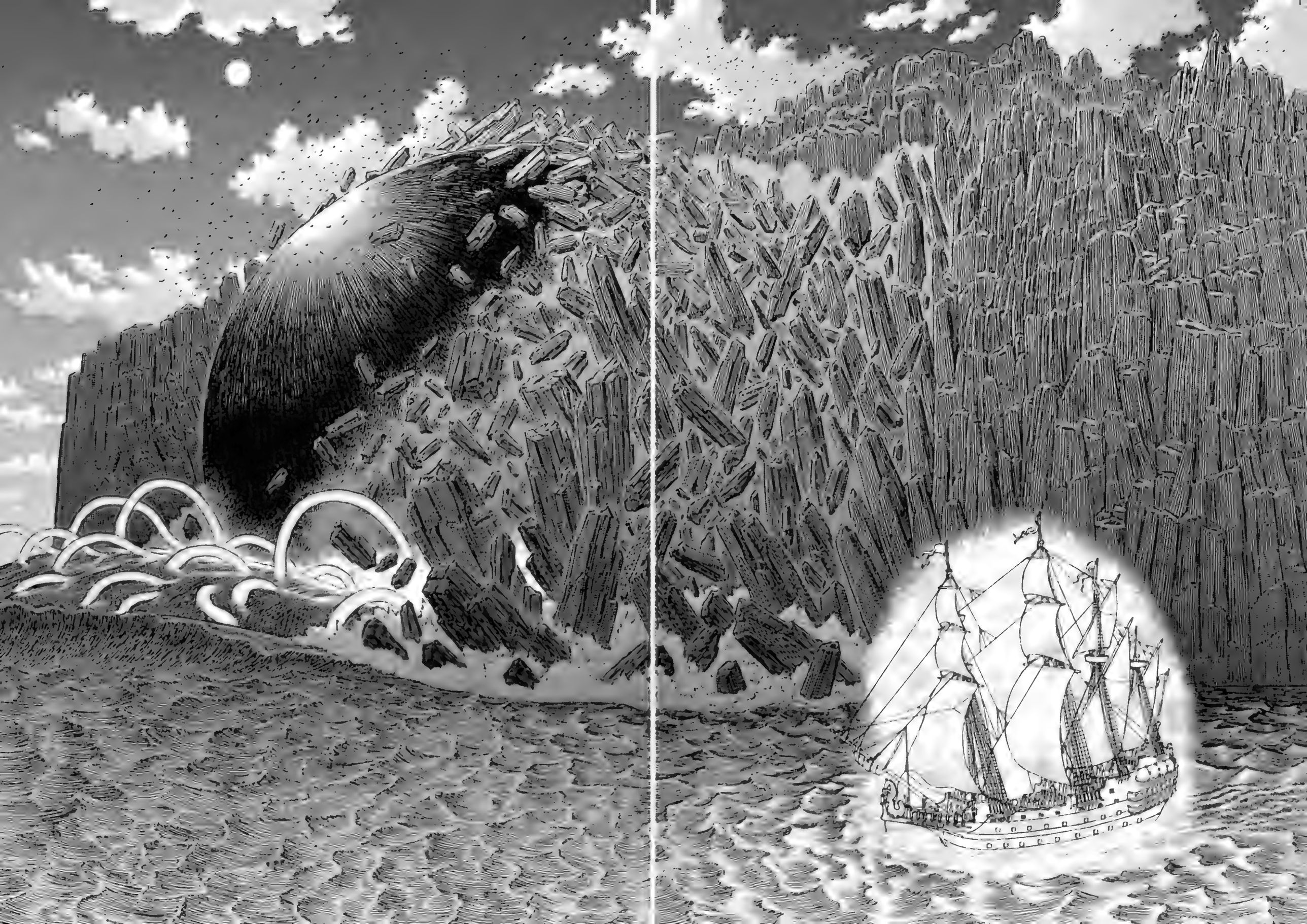

IT'S A SEA GOD, ALRIGHT. THIS FEELS LIKE THE OCEAN FLOOR!!

THERE ARE STILL SO MANY!

HEH!

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A CALL FROM THE DEEP

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OOOOSH

YOOOO HO HO!

SHIVER ME TIMBERS!!! OUR SEA GOD BE A SIGHT TO BEHOLD!!

ARRR ...

HUH ...?

ARE ....?

NOW, THE STALLION'S ILK ARE...

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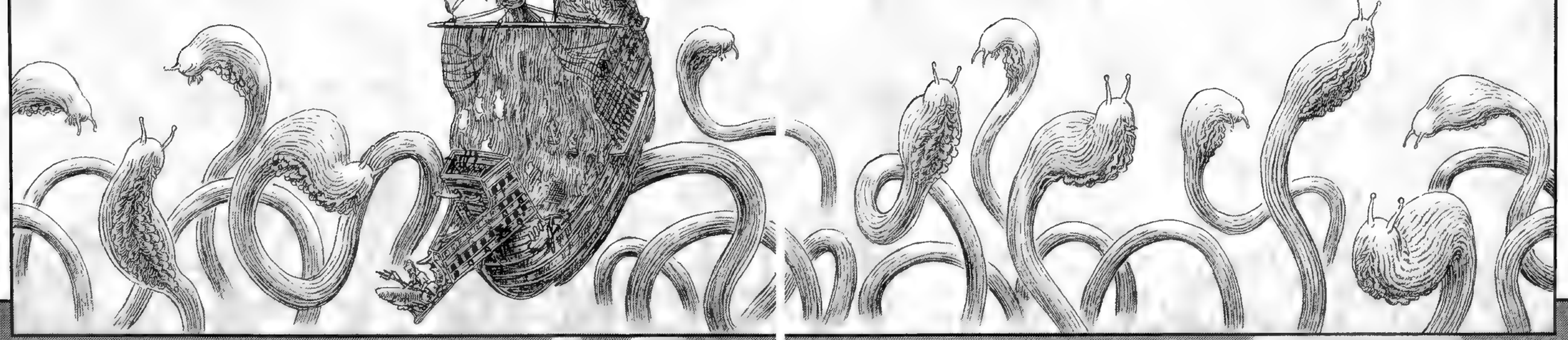


WHOA, WHOA! THERE'S *HUGE*, AND THEN THERE'S *RIDICULOUS!*

THAT MUST BE THE ROOT OF ALL THOSE TENTACLES.

THAT THING *COULD* SWALLOW ALL THE FISH AND SHIPS AROUND HERE WHOLE.

IT'S LIKE YOUR LEGEND SAID, ISMA.

...THE SEA GOD.

.....

MY HOME ...

IT'S SINK-ING...

PA...

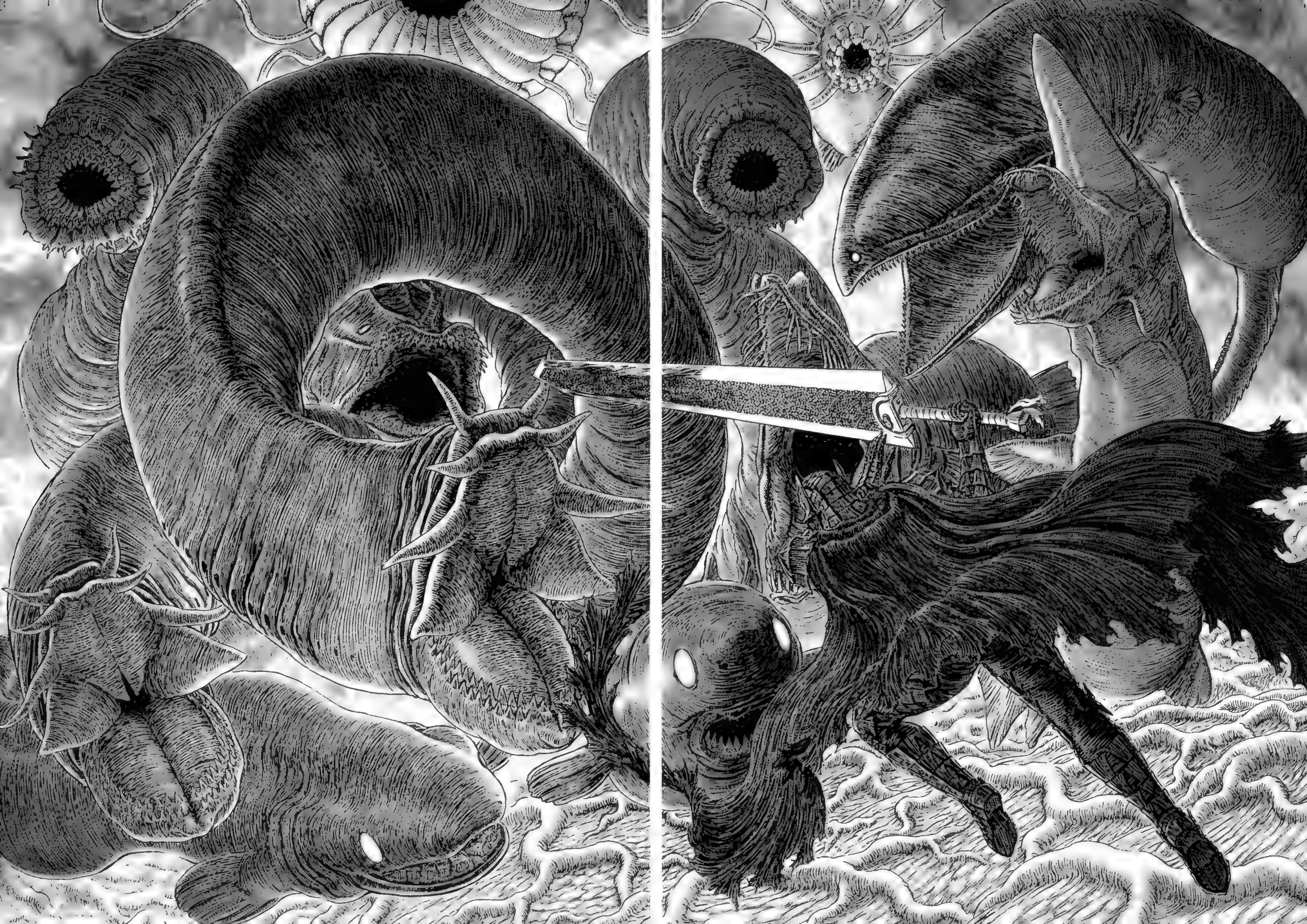
MY ISLAND ...

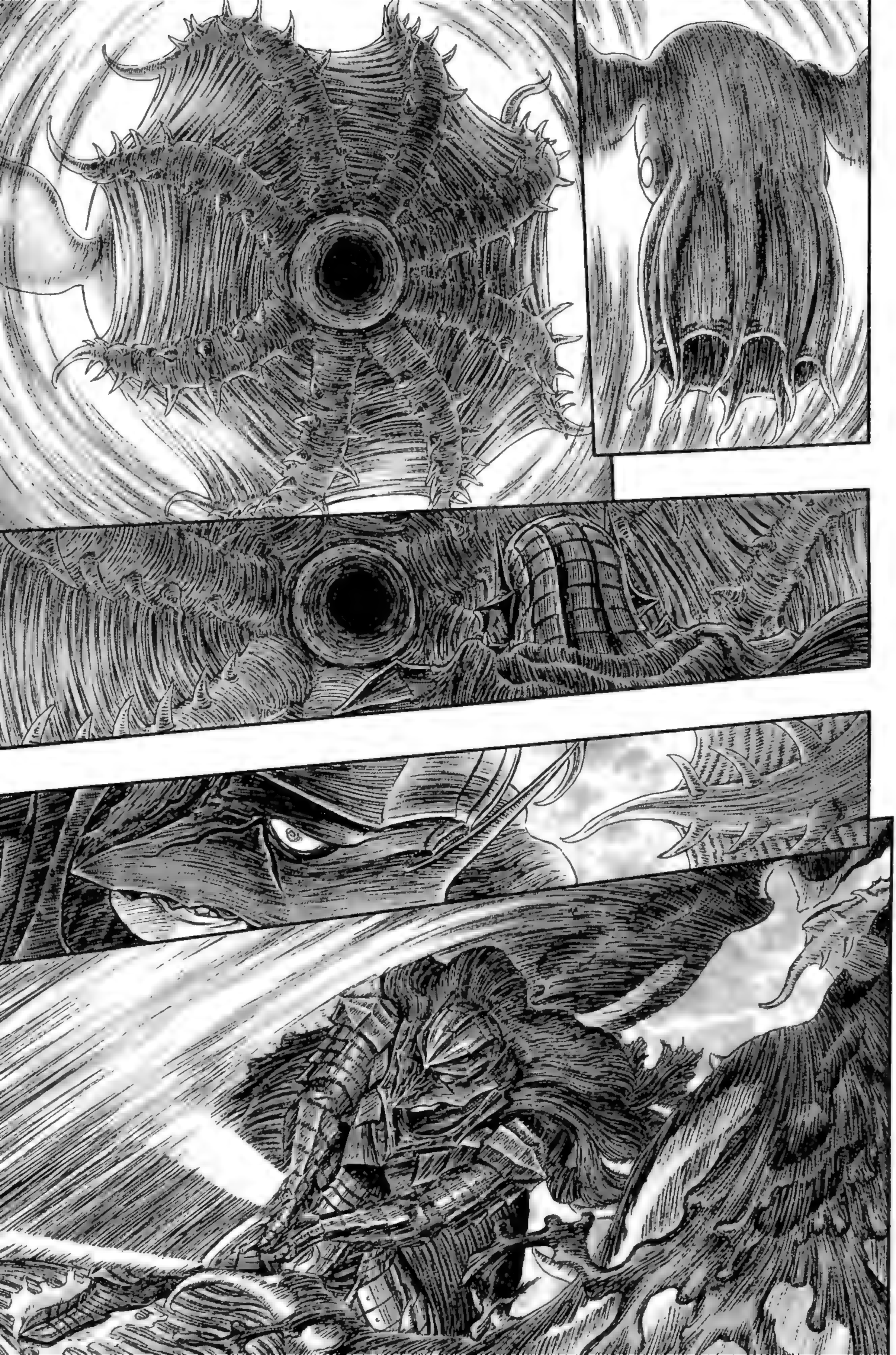
THE ISLAND ...

*DOOOOOSH

ALL HANDS, CLING TO SOMETHING!! HERE COMES A GIANT WAVE!!

*FX: BOGHHHH





...WE DON'T HAVE ANY TIME TO WASTE!!

IF THIS GOD THING'S ON THE MOVE...

*BAKONNNG

FFFF

*DOOOSH

*SHAAAA

OH, NO...!

*FWOOMP

*THMP

WAIT ...!

DON'T BE CRAZY !!

...THEY'RE CATCHING UP!

...THIS VOICE...

YOUR ONE...

...AND ONLY...

...TRUE NAME.

SAY THE NAME.

THE NAME GIVEN YOU,

THAT YOU KNOW NOT.

CHANT.

SPEAK.

SAY IT.

MY TRUE...

...NAME.

NAME...

*GOLP

*PLASH

BERSERK

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人魚（メロウ）①

MERROW, PART 1

*CHSSSH

*SHWACK

WHAT'S THIS...?!

!

WHAT NOW?!

THAT'S A--

ISIDRO!

HEY!

*WHAP

*WHAP

TH-THAT SURE WAS CLOSE...

ISMA!

...WAIT!

?

DID YOU JUST ...?!

WHOA-- FISH?!

No, NOT TITS! TAIL!

*FX: FLICK

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...

WHAT GIVES? YOU'RE THE ONE GAPING LIKE A FISH!

EH, WELL, I SWIM AS WELL AS A FISH...

FISH LIPS?

*SMACK

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TITS? WHATEVER, THEY'RE NO BIG DEAL.

T-
T-
T-
T-

*CLOSE

*OPEN

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*SHLAP

FIIIISH!!

CALM DOWN ...!!

C...

DID I EAT TOO MANY FISH? NO, IS THERE A FISH BITING MY BUTT?

...

THIS THING IS REAL !!!

*WHAP

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WH- WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!

A FISH TAIL ?!

A TAIL !

WHY?! WHY?!

Ho!

Yo!

WOW, YOU'RE CALM ALREADY.

I THINK I LEARNED A TRICK.

IT WAS *TRUE...*

THAT STUFF MY PA TOLD ME.

*FX: FISSSH

YEAH!

YOU GUYS GOT SOME PROBLEM WITH THAT?!

SHE'S A MER-ROW.

MER-ROW...

THE GIRL'S A MERROW, HUH?

BESIDES, THIS IS NO TIME FOR THAT.

WE'VE *ALREADY* SEEN A GHOST SHIP AND A BUNCH OF MONSTERS.

WELL, WHY NOT AT THIS POINT?

EH?

NO STANDING AROUND! GET THOSE CANNONS READY TO FIRE AGAIN!

THAT *THING* OUT THERE IS WHAT WE NEED TO WORRY ABOUT...

THEY SAID TO CHANT A NAME I'D NEVER HEARD... MY TRUE NAME. THEN WHEN I DID WHAT THEY SAID...

THEY'VE ALWAYS WHISPERED TO ME IN THE SEA...

BUT THIS TIME THEY WERE LOUD AND CLEAR.

UMM, I THINK IT'S...

HEYYY!

STOP! STOP! DON'T SAY IT!

TRUE NAME?

BUT WHY, ALL OF A SUDDEN?

THIS'LL MAKE MONEY.

I HEARD VOICES.

*NYA HA HA HA

YOU'VE BEEN IN THE OCEAN BEFORE, BUT YOU'VE NEVER CHANGED, RIGHT?

YOUR TRUE NAME GOVERNS YOUR TRUE FORM. YOU WENT BACK TO THIS FORM BECAUSE YOU CHANTED IT!

THAT'S *YOUR* TRUE NAME!

LISTEN! ELVES, SPIRITS, AND WHATNOT HAVE A SECRET NAME THEY CAN *NEVER* TELL PEOPLE!

SO NEVER TELL ANYONE! UNLESS IT'S SOMEONE YOU CAN REALLY TRUST!

YOU DON'T SAY.

HUH.

AND IF SOMEBODY FINDS OUT YOUR TRUE NAME, IT MEANS HE'LL HAVE CONTROL OVER YOU!

THAT SOUNDS STRANGE, THOUGH.

WHO COULD TELL YOU YOUR SECRET NAME IF YOU DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IT YOURSELF?

THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO— OW!

モム。 "MUNCH"

ヨホホホ。 "NYO HO HO HO."

OH NO, YOU CAN'T TRUST THEM!

BUT HEY, I WOULDN'T REALLY MIND IF *YOU* GUYS KNEW IT...

WOW, THAT'S HOW IT WORKS?

HAVE YOU GOT A TRUE NAME, TOO?

UMM... "JUSTIN BAILEY." NO--"OPOP DAUNDAUN LEFRYTE"...

...I FORGET NOW.

LOOK AT THAT!!

HEY!

THOSE ARE--

!

THEY'RE BENEATH THE SHIP, TOO...!

LOOK HOW MANY THERE ARE!!

ARE THEY DOL-PHINS ?

THERE'S A SCHOOL OF SOMETHING GATHERING AROUND THE ISLAND!

*DOOOOM

GUTS ...!

*CHONK

*WHEWWW

YEAH! YOUR MISTRESS' HEIRLOOM IS REALLY SOMETHING. THEY WON'T BITE THROUGH IT LIKE SOME CRAB OR LOBSTER SHELL.

ARE YOU ALRIGHT ...?!

*FX KRRRN

IT DOESN'T HURT.

*FX SHMP

*FX SHMP

AND AS YOU KNOW...

*LEAP

NOT EVEN AS MUCH AS GETTING STUCK BY A LITTLE BONE!

SHAFFF.

BWOMF.

SHOOMP.

BAKOWNG.

*BAKONNNG

*GUSH

*GUHAH!

GUTS ...!!

*ZHONK

*FX WHAM

*BAKONNNG

THEY'RE MAKING FOR THAT MONSTER!!

IT'S A BIG SCHOOL OF MERROW !!

MERROW ...!

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HEY, ISMA?!

!

WHAT DO THEY PLAN TO DO?

ARE THEY IN LEAGUE WITH THAT THING?

OF COURSE NOT, STUPID!

LISTEN, I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT MERROW ...!

THE LEGEND, AND WHAT MY PA TOLD ME.

IT WAS ALL TRUE.

ISMA!!

I'M GOING, TOO!

*SPRING

THIS IS MY ISLAND...

...AND MERROW FIGHT AGAINST THE SEA GOD!!

THIS IS NO PLEASURE CRUISE, RIGHT?! IF WE DON'T PICK UP THE PACE, WE'LL MISS ALL THE ACTION!!

YOU JUST GONNA STAND THERE AND WATCH ?!

FINE, JUST CALM DOWN.

THERE SHE GOES...

...

HEY! CAPTAIN!

*BDOOSH

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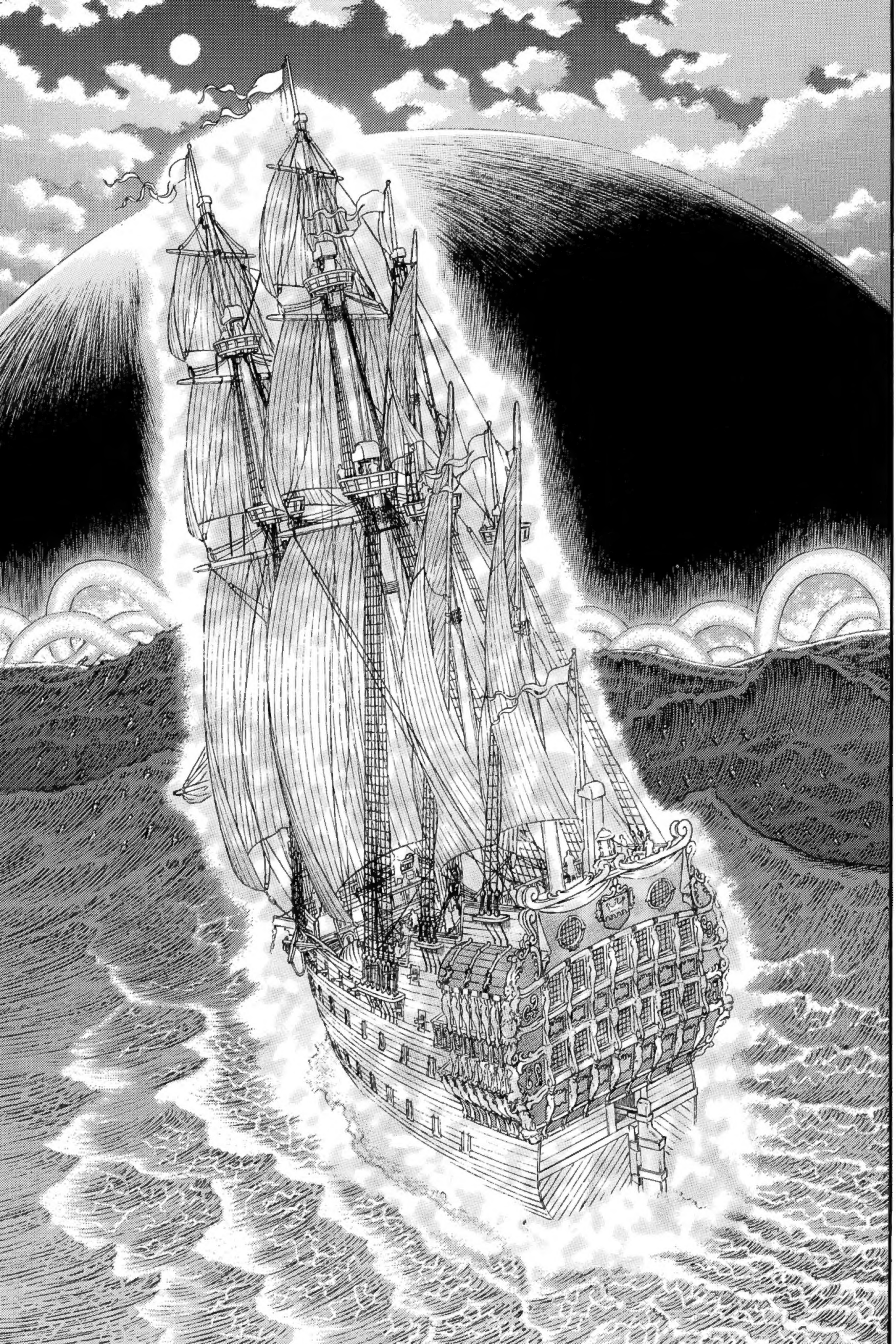
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ITS TENTACLES !!

GET US IN RANGE OF THAT MONSTER!!

JUST BE MINDFUL OF THE SURGE!!



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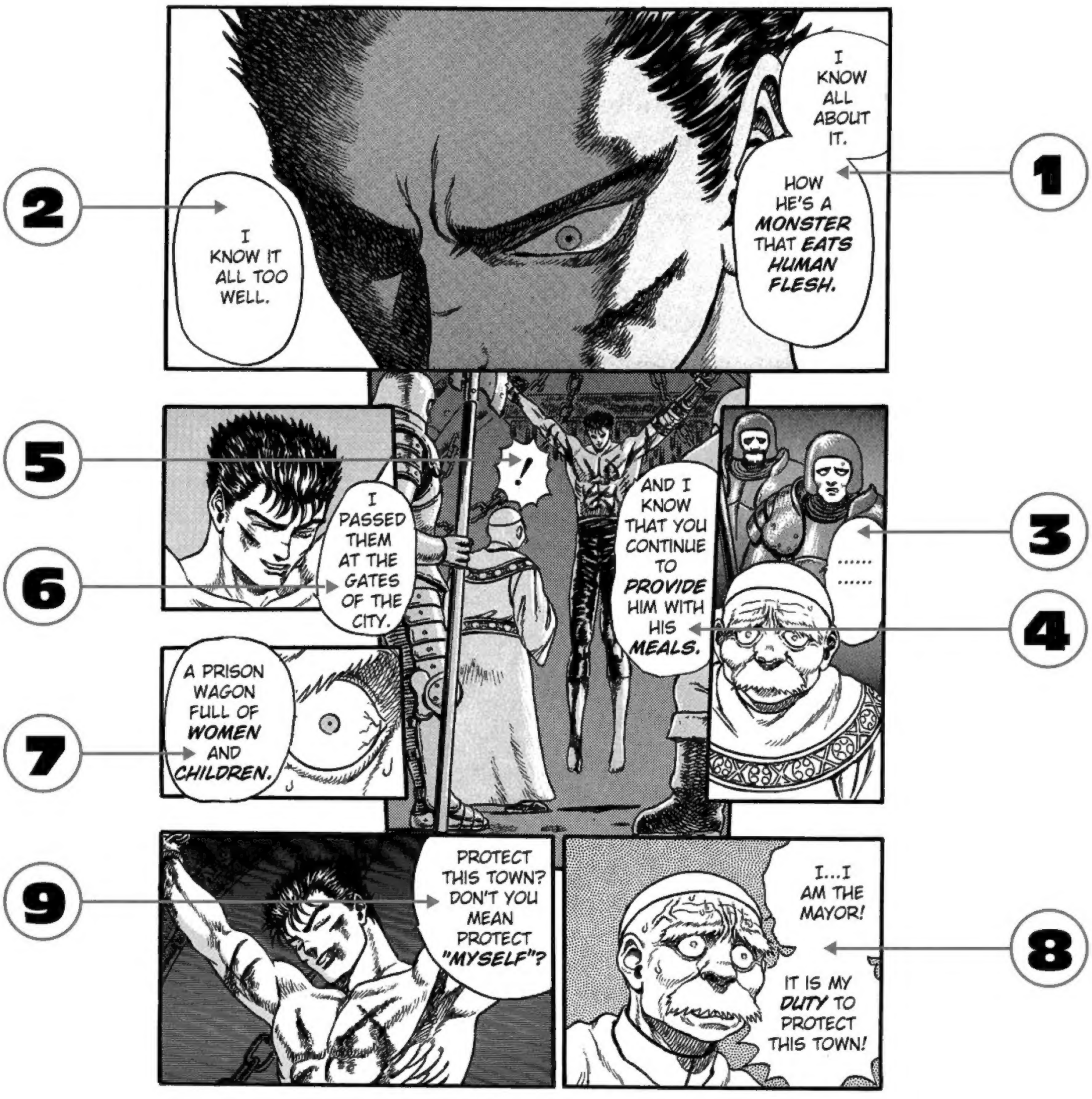

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